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TONOPAH, NEVADA, WEDNESDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 28, 1917

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## GERMANY PREPARED FOR WAR

## CHANCELLOR'S ADDRESS WORDS TO PAVE THE WAY

AMENDMENT TO THE WAR BILL  
RESTRICTS POWER OF PRESIDENT

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 28.—The house committee on foreign affairs has reported the Flood bill, giving the president power, after striking out the words "other instrumentalities," and amending the measure to prohibit the government from granting war insurance for ships carrying munitions.

It has been officially established that the American schooner Law was not sunk by an Austrian submarine.

The bill agreed upon by the senate committee would authorize the president to supply merchant vessels of the United States with defensive arms, force and aft, ammunition and gunners, and also empower him to employ "such other instrumentalities and methods" as he deems necessary to protect vessels and citizens of the United States on the high seas. The bill further includes the \$100,000,000 bond issue as was provided in the house bill.

WANTS TO AVENGE  
DEATH OF MOTHER

AUSTIN Y. HOY DEMANDS AN  
IMMEDIATE CHANCE TO  
FIGHT GERMANY

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 28.—Austin Y. Hoy, whose mother and sister died of exposure after the Laconia was torpedoed, called the president today calling on the government to preserve its citizens self respect and offering himself to fight. The cable says: "Can the United States stuff my manhood by remaining passive under the outrage? If so, I shall seek a man's chance under another flag."

GERARD ADVISED  
TO CHANGE BOATS

CHANGES ORDERED BY BERLIN  
OFFICIAL COME AS A SUR-  
PRISE TO WASHINGTON

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 28.—Reports that former Ambassador Gerard had been advised in an informal way by a high German official in Berlin not to sail for the United States in the way he had planned, caused much surprise among state department officials, who thought Mr. Gerard would almost certainly have forwarded information of that sort if received. The only instructions sent him were in reply to his query as to what to do in case of war and advised that he hold to his original plans unless otherwise ordered.

The full details of the former Ambassador's plans including the vessel, the date and the port were cabled to Berlin through the Spanish ambassador. No safe conduct could be requested because the two countries are not at war; the ship is a neutral, and the route does not traverse the prohibited zone. From reports that Mr. Gerard has advised Americans to sail on the same vessel have been confirmed officially here.

The Spanish trans-Atlantic line is now practically the only means for American diplomats to and from Europe, as travel on belligerent vessels has been forbidden during the war. Hugh Gibson, first secretary of the American embassy in London, expects to return by the Alfonso XII of that line leaving New York Thursday. The long sea trip is expected to occupy a month.

## FINLAND WILL BE HELD

(By Associated Press.)  
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Four senators, three Democrats and one Republican, Stone, Hitchcock, O'Gorman and Smith of Michigan, were opposed to the main section of the bill as amended for various reasons, but no roll call was taken on the motion to report the bill in its final form.

One of the principal differences in the bill from the measure as submitted to the house is a provision in the first section which authorizes commanders and crews of all merchant vessels to arm and defend their own vessels against unlawful attacks. This was taken from an anti-piracy statute adopted by the government in 1819.

The committee also voted to eliminate from the original form recommended by the president, the words: "should it in his judgment become necessary for him to do so," applied to the authorization to arm the ships. This was stricken out because the majority of the committee believed it carried the implication that the emergency demanding the arming of ships had not yet arrived when it is their opinion that the emergency does exist and has existed for some time.

Senators Stone, Hitchcock and O'Gorman, the three democrats who did not approve the measure as finally drafted, were opposed to it because of the refusal of the committee to accept an amendment by Senator Stone which would withhold protection from American ships

SUDDEN COLLAPSE  
OF CONCRETE ROOF

ONE MAN KILLED AND OTHER  
SERIOUSLY HURT IN CRASH  
AT OMAHA

(By Associated Press.)  
OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 28.—One man was killed, another fatally injured and several others were less seriously hurt when the concrete roof of a two-story building under construction at Eighteenth and Burt streets collapsed late today. W. H. Clark was killed and L. G. Hoffmeister is said to be fatally wounded. Thirty workmen were in the building when the roof fell.

INJURED HUSBAND  
KILLS A SEDUCER

ONE DEFENDANT KILLED AND  
ANOTHER FATALLY INJURED  
AT COURT HEARING

(By Associated Press.)  
NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 28.—E. G. Thompson killed Will Hoffstetter and fatally shot Jim Hoffstetter and a bystander, Mrs. W. A. Bevington was wounded at a trial wherein Thompson was suing the Hoffstetters for alleged alienation of his wife's affections.

## TODAY AND A YEAR AGO

Official readings of the thermometer by the United States observer at Tonopah:

	1917	1916
5 a. m.	17	20
9 a. m.	22	24
12 noon	29	31
2 p. m.	32	38
Relative humidity at 2 p. m.		
today, 40 per cent.		

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carrying munitions of war. Senator McCumber, of North Dakota, joined him together with Senators Stone and O'Gorman in this vote.

Those opposed to the measure also sought to limit it by a provision which would prevent the president from placing gunners of the navy on armed merchant ships. This proposal was rejected. Another amendment submitted by senators who sought to direct immediate arming of ships would have authorized the president to convey merchant vessels with war ships. This was likewise rejected.

The senate military committee has ordered an increase of \$37,500,000 to the army appropriation bill passed by the house. As reported to the senate the bill will carry \$277,430,708.

EXPIRING HOURS  
OF THE CONGRESS

EMERGENCY REVENUE BILL  
WILL BE CALLED UP FOR  
VOTE TONIGHT

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 28.—To assure passage of the emergency revenue bill the senate finance committee has practically agreed to withdraw all amendments when the time for voting begins at eight o'clock tonight. This will obviate the necessity for a conference. The bill could go to the president after the senate votes on it.

NO TRUTH IN RUMOR  
ABOUT DUTCH SHIPS

(By Associated Press.)  
LONDON, Feb. 28.—It is said at the Dutch legation that there is no confirmation of the report that the Dutch steamships Bandoeng, Eemland and Zaandijk, first reported sunk, were still afloat, although damaged. It is believed they were sunk since search for them has proved unavailing.

## ONTARIO WOMEN TO VOTE

(By Associated Press.)  
TORONTO, Feb. 28.—The women of Ontario were virtually assured the right to vote when the government endorsed the bill providing for equal suffrage.

Withdrawal of Diplomats  
From Austria Under Way

(By Associated Press.)  
LONDON, 6 P. M., Feb. 28.—The Austrian reply to the American note will be handed Ambassador Penfield shortly. The note will probably endorse the position of Germany, according to a Reuters' Amsterdam dispatch.

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Complete arrangements for the withdrawal of American diplomatic and consular officers from Austria-Hungary have been made by Ambassador Penfield on instructions from the state department. The ambassador has been directed to take this step, the belief at the department being that a break in relations is inevitable. The Spanish government has been asked to take over American interests and plans have been made to expedite the withdrawal of all Americans if the break occurs.

The last report from Ambassador

THAW PERFECT WRECK  
SAYS POLICE SURGEON

(By Associated Press.)  
PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 28.—Harry Thaw is a physical and mental wreck, according to Dr. John Wanamaker, police surgeon. The family is completing plans for the lunacy proceedings instituted by his mother set for hearing March 12th.

BREACH OF FAITH  
IN IMPRISONING  
AMERICAN CREWS

HELD AS HOSTAGES IN VIOLA-  
TION OF ALL TREATY  
RIGHTS AND LAW

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 28.—Germany's procrastination in complying with repeated American demands for release of the Yarrowdale prisoners is bringing the controversy to a stage of extreme gravity. Accounted from the first perhaps the most serious difficulty between the two countries aside from the submarine issue itself the Yarrowdale case has been a source of growing concern and indignation among officials, some of whom are now convinced that Germany's intention is not more nor less than to hold the American seamen as hostages pending a declaration as to peace or war.

Such an act would be regarded here as not only a flagrant violation of American law and treaty rights, but an open insult to the dignity and good faith of the United States. While the administration has been inclined to subordinate all collateral issues to the paramount principles involved in the submarine campaign, the plight of the Yarrowdale men has forced itself steadily forward as one of the most important factors in the whole German crisis.

BRITISH AIRPLANES ATTACK  
GERMAN IRON WORKS

(By Associated Press.)  
LONDON, Feb. 28.—British airplanes raided German territory Sunday attacking the iron works near Saarbruecken, on the Rhine and destroyed one hostile machine.

## CONSIDERATION FOR ALIENS

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 28.—An appeal has been made to the people to show every consideration to aliens residing in this country, of whom there are 8,000,000.

Penfield, a brief cable received after these instructions were sent, suggested a slight possibility that Austria's reply to this government's aide memoir asking a definition of her attitude in the submarine situation, might be favorable. No real hope was raised here, however, and no change in instructions followed.

Pending a reply to the aide memoir, the Austrian situation will remain in the same indefinite state which has characterized it since the day of the rupture with Germany when a note similar, though not identical to Germany's submarine proclamation, was received from Ambassador Penfield. Then the aide memoir was sent asking for exact definition of Austria's intention because of the difference between American relations with that country and those with Germany.

The state department recently notified the Austrian embassy here that Count Tarnow Tarnowski, the

OMINOUS TENSION GATHERING  
INTENSITY AS FRESH RUMORS  
CIRCULATE AMONG THE PEOPLE

(By Associated Press.)

BERLIN, Feb. 28.—The prominence the chancellor gave to a discussion of the relations with the United States is regarded as indicating the purpose to prepare the German public for any eventuality. The German press has served up fragmentary sensational bulletins indicating that feverish war preparations are going on in the United States. A declaration of war from Washington now would find the German mind quite prepared for it.

The announcement would meet with stolid indifference by the pub-

CONSULS DETAINED  
BY GERMAN ORDERS

VIRTUALLY HELD AS HOSTAGES  
FOR SAFETY OF TEUTONS  
OFFICIALS IN U. S.

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 28.—Four American consuls are detained in Germany while the Berlin government awaits official advice that all German consuls in the United States, ordered to Central and South America, have been permitted to proceed. Irritation is heightened by reports that Germany is detaining the Yarrowdale prisoners on the excuse that infectious diseases have been discovered at the place where they are living.

The consuls detained are Henry C. E. Damm, John Wood, Vice-consuls W. Bruch, Wallace, C. Innes Brown. The United States has hindered the departure of no German consuls. Mueller cabled Berlin that he was detained at Havana, Germany is believed to have taken this to mean that the United States is responsible for the detention.

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 28.—Germany's action in detaining the consuls is based on circumstances which through no fault of the United States, detained Consul Mueller at Havana while en route to Ecuador a week ago. Germany charged that the United States detained him. Mueller was forced to remain in Havana due to temporary lack of transportation and failure to receive passports from the Ecuadorian government. He left several days ago.

MAY SHUT OUT  
PRIZE FIGHTING

BILL WITH A JOKER INTRODUCED IN THE ASSEMBLY  
BY HARDY

Special to the Bonanza.  
CARSON CITY, Feb. 28.—A bill introduced by Hardy today provides that compensation shall be given to the state in case of persons conducting business declared illegal by statute. This is aimed at conditions that might exist in case a prohibition bill carries.

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(By Associated Press.)

lic. The ominous tension has been gathering intensity. The nation is pinning its faith to submarines. The tension of Germany's submarine warfare has found its culmination in the torpedoing without warning of the Laconia on which two American women met death. A clear-cut violation of American rights is the characterization placed upon the disaster by official Washington and greater efforts are being put forward by President Wilson to have Congress give him the authorization he requested Monday to arm American ships and to use "other

TEUTONS CAPTURE  
STRONG POSITIONS

RESUMPTION OF HOSTILITIES  
IN RUMANIA CAUSE RU-  
SIAN LOSSES

(By Associated Press.)  
BERLIN, Feb. 28.—Teutons took the offensive on the northern Rumanian front and captured several hill positions from the Russians, taking over 1300 prisoners, eleven machine guns and nine mine throwers.

CANADA PREPARED  
FOR BIG OFFENSIVE

(By Associated Press.)  
ST. JOHN, N. B., Feb. 28.—Canada is preparing to take a prominent part in the great allied offensive this spring on the western front. Thousands of troops have arrived in New Brunswick during the last few weeks for final training before embarking from Halifax for England.

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instrumentalities" to relieve the situation so far as the freedom of the seas are American rights are concerned.

In a noted address to the reichstag, the German chancellor, while reiterating that Germany was ready for a lasting peace "which will grant reparations for all wrongs suffered and guarantee the existence and future of a strong Germany," declared it was Germany's purpose to continue her submarine warfare, which already has passed expectations. Referring to the break with the United States as a result of the announcement of Germany's intensified submarine campaign and the declaration by the United States that Germany, in formulating it, had withdrawn from promises made, the chancellor said that from the beginning Germany had openly and expressly declared that these assurances would be invalid under certain conditions, meaning the continuation of England's "starvation blockade."

On the fighting on the fronts, maneuvers that are being carried out by the British in the Ancre region hold the greatest attention. Here both north and south of the stream they have made fresh advances, capturing the village of Ligny, southwest of Baupenne and occupying further positions west and north of Poulxux. To the north around Lens and Armentieres, German trenches have been raided by the British, according to the London war office and considerable damage inflicted on them. In that part of the line where the French are opposing the Germans, the fighting has been done mainly by the artillery of both sides.

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 28.—State department officials voiced surprise bordering on indignation at the chancellor's speech of yesterday seeking to confuse the German-American relations with statements palpably opposed to the most obvious events of recent history.

The statement that the United States severed relations "brusquely" is view as ridiculous. It is pointed out that Germany showed a realization of the coming break by ordering the merchantmen of this country to be disabled, and von Bernstorff said he expected for several days to be dismissed.

Germany put the campaign of ruthlessness in effect on eight hours notice after months of assurances that there was no intention to do so. The United States delayed three days after this foreshadowing action and several notes.

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Paramount comedy

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